MEĐIMURSKO VELEUČILIŠTE U ČAKOVCU
MEĐIMURJE UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES IN ČAKOVEC

COURSE SYLLABUS

ACADEMIC YEAR:	2025/2026

1. GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

1.1 Course name	**Databases I**			
1.2 Study program/s	Undergraduate professional study of Computer Science			
1.3 Course status (O,E)	**O**	**1.6 Mode of instruction (number of hours)**	**Lectures**	30
1.4 Course code			**Exercises**	30
1.5 Course abbreviation			**Seminars**	
1.6 Semester	IV		**E-learning**	Merlin
1.7 ECTS	5	**1.7 Place and time of instruction**	The premises of the Međimurje University of Applied Sciences in Čakovec, according to the schedule published on the website	

2. TEACHING STAF.F

2.1 Course leader/s-title	PhD, Sanja Obradović, prof.	**contact**	sanja.obradovic@mev.hr
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2.2 Assistant/s- title		**contact**	
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2.3 Instruction held by-title	PhD, Sanja Obradović, prof.	**contact**	sanja.obradovic@mev.hr
2.4 Course leader/s-title		**contact**	

3. COURSE DESCRIPTION

3.1. Course goals	The student will be able to manage the database after completing the course. Knowledge is acquired in the field of database, SQL query language and the capabilities and role of information retrieval systems in the information system.
3.2 Prerequisites	To take the course it is necessary to pass the course Algorithms and Data Structures
3.3 Course outcomes	After successfully completing the course, students will be able to: O1 - Create basic queries in SQL language independently O2 - Link multiple data tables using SQL queries O3 - Design and optimize a normalized database using indexes O4 - Create a simple database
3.4 Contribution of the course to the study program	Apply database basics through creating, modelling, and administering databases
3.5 Course content	The course presents contents related to the concept, possibilities and role of the database. Special attention is given to data search using SQL language, modeling and database maintenance. In the practical part, open source tools are used.

3.6 Types of coursework	X	Lectures	X	Exercises		Blended e-learning	X	Individual activities		Laboratory
		Seminars and workshops		Distant learning		Field classes	X	Multimedia and network		Mentorship
		Other								

3.7 Language of instruction	Croatian					
3.8 Monitoring students' work (enter the number of ECTS credits for each activity so that the total number of ECTS credits is equal to the total ECTS value of the course, 1 ECTS = 30 hours)	1,00	Class attendance		Seminars		Research
	1,00	Midterm exams/written exam		Project		Essay
	1,00	Oral exam	2,00	Practical task		

Activity specification	Percent %	Points
Assessment during instruction		
Attendance	10%	10
Seminar/ project/ essay	30%	30
Midterm exam 1	30%	30
Midterm exam 2	30%	30
Exam assessment for the students who failed to fullfil all the obligatory requirements during the semester		
Written exam	*60%*	*60*
Total:	**100%**	**100**

Points   Grade
89 – 100 excellent (5)
76 – 88   very good (4)
63 – 75   good (3)
50 – 62   pass (2)
 0 – 49   fail (1)

3.9 Specific features related to taking the course	*If a student collects 50% of the points of each outcome he/she directly accesses the oral exam. If a student does not achieve a sufficient number of points on the midterm exam, he/she cannot take the next midterm exam, and has to take the written exam.* *If he/she passes the written exam, he/she will proceed to the oral part of the exam.* *The seminar paper is submitted within the agreed deadline, and certainly before the exam term.* *The final grade is given on the oral part of the exam.*
3.10 Students obligations	• a full-time student has the right to sit for the exam if he attends classes for a minimum of 70% of the total prescribed number of hours • a full-time student who attends classes from 50 to 70% of the total prescribed number of hours can exercise the right to take the exam by completing additional teaching activities in agreement with the course teacher • a full-time student who attends a certain course for less than 50% of the prescribed number of hours enrolls in the course the following academic year • a part-time student has the right to sit for the exam if he/she attends classes for a minimum of 30% of the total prescribed number of hours • a part-time student who attends classes for 20 to 30% of the total prescribed number of hours can exercise the right to sit for the exam by completing additional teaching activities in agreement with the course teacher • a part-time student who attends the classes of a certain course for less than 20% of the prescribed number of hours re-enrolls in the course the following academic year

3.11 Written assignments		
3.12 Required reading		Radovan, M.: Baze podataka, Informator, Zagreb, 1993.
3.13 Additional reading		Abraham Silberschatz: DATABASE SYSTEM CONCEPTS SIXTH EDITION, 2001.

4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE COURSE

4.1 Quality control	The quality of the program, teaching process, teaching skills and level of mastery of the material will be established by conducting a written evaluation based on questionnaires, and in other standardised ways and in accordance with the by-laws of the Međimurje University of Applied Sciences in Čakovec.
4.2 Contact the teacher	Students can contact the teacher during the office hours and during classes. All other methods of communication are arranged with the teacher. It is also possible to ask questions by e-mail, which will be answered in 48 hours at the latest. It is desirable for students to come as often as possible for any possible questions during the teacher's office hours.
4.3 Information about the course	It is the obligation of each student to be regularly informed about the course. All notifications about the classes or possible postponement of classes will be posted on the bulletin board and on the website of the University at least 24 hours in advance.

5. ELABORATION OF THEMATIC UNITS

Week	Topic	Course outcome
1.	Introduction to the course content, basics in database design, primary and foreign key	O1
2.	Data types, model, normalization	O1
3.	Basic DDL and DML commands	O2
4.	String, date and aggregate functions, Null values	O2
5.	Cartesian product, natural coupling	O2
6.	Join, types of joining	O2
7.	Aliases, replacement names for individual elements of the database	O2
8.	Colloquium	
9.	Group by, having functions	O3
10.	To support	O3
11.	Keys, indexes, full text index	O3
12.	Query optimization	O4
13.	Creating and restoring database backups	O4
14.	Working with other databases and tools	O4
15.	Colloquium	